REQUEST FOR

CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/536,618
Filing Date	March 28, 2000
First Named Inventor	Toyokazu FUJII, et al.
Group Art Unit	2814
Examiner Name	H. PHAM
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which

a. Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.1.03(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required) b. Other	established NOE practice.					·-·· -		
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RCE-/2814 **PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Response Under 37 CFR 1.116 - Expedited Procedure

Group Art Unit: 2814

Examiner: H. PHAM

FOR FABRICATION OF THE SAME

Toyokazu FUJII, et al.

Serial No.: 09/536,618

Filed: March 28, 2000

For:

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND PROCESS FOR FABRICATION OF THE SAME

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THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS

Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 Also attached: Petition For Extension of Time

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	9	20	0	\$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	1	1	0	\$84.00 =	\$0.00
		Multiple claims newly presented			\$0.00
		Fee for extension of	\$110.00		
		Request For Continued Examination			\$740.00
Total of Above Calculations				\$850.00	

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Respectfully submitted,

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